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L3 66 S L1 AND GRADIENT FORCE  
L4 2 S L1 AND OPTICAL FORCE FIELD  
L5 290 S L1 AND POLARIZ?  
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OR SCREENING)  
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L18 ANSWER 14 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 143:342218 CA  
TI Methods and **microfluidic** apparatus for performing nucleic acid  
**sequencing** and detection using **surface enhanced Raman** spectroscopy  
IN Sundararajan, Narayanan; Sun, Lei; Zhang, Yuegang; Su, Xing; Chan,  
Selena; Koo, Tae-Woong; Berlin, Andrew A.  
PA Intel Corporation, USA  
SO U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 24 pp.  
PI US 2005221333 A1 20051006 US 2004-815264 20040331  
PRAI US 2004-815264 20040331  
AB Methods and **microfluidic** app. for performing nucleic acid **sequencing** and  
detection using **surface enhanced Raman** spectroscopy are provided.

Methods can be performed in a **microfluidic** channel to functionalize a solid support such as a **bead** with a single nucleic acid. The **bead** with a single nucleic acid attached may be transported and released upstream of a detector using **optical tweezers**. The **optical tweezers** are typically a **gradient force optical trap** that captures the single **particle** downstream from the laser beam. The released **bead** can then flow downstream and either become trapped in a restriction barrier or attached to a surface. Once the **bead** is confined, the **optical tweezers** can be removed so that they do not interfere with an optical detector downstream. Single nucleotides can then be cleaved from the **bead** using an exonuclease. The single nucleotides may then be detected by **surface enhanced Raman** spectroscopy. The inclusion of a restriction barrier in a **microfluidic** channel and the immobilization of an optically transported **bead** allows removal of the **optical tweezers** from the optical path of a detection device, thereby preventing interference from the addnl. light source of the **optical tweezers** close to the collection vol. of the detector.

L18 ANSWER 18 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 143:92009 CA  
TI Methods for high fidelity production of long nucleic acid molecules with error control  
IN Carr, Peter A.; Chow, Brian Y.; Jacobson, Joseph M.  
PA Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA  
SO PCT Int. Appl., 91 pp.  
PI WO 2005059096 A2 20050630 WO 2004-US41268 20041210  
US 2005227235 A1 20051013 US 2003-733855 20031210  
PRAI US 2003-733855 A 20031210  
US 2002-432556P P 20021210  
AB The invention relates to prodn. of long nucleic acid mols. with precise user control over **sequence** content. Long error-free nucleic acid mols. can be generated in parallel from oligonucleotides immobilized on a surface, such as a microarray comprising redundantly overlapped oligonucleotides. The movement of the growing nucleic acid mol. can be controlled through the stepwise repositioning of the growing mol. Stepwise repositioning refers to the position of the growing mol. as it interacts with the oligonucleotides immobilized on the surface. Synthesis relies on annealing complementary pairs of oligonucleotides and extending them to produce longer oligonucleotide segments, until the full-length **sequence** is produced. This invention also relates to the prevention and/or removal of errors within nucleic acid mols. A preferred embodiment of the invention utilizes a force-feedback system using magnetic and/or **optical tweezers**, either sep. or in combination. The solid-phase support is magnetic in nature and held in a fixed equil. position by applying an elec field and magnetic field gradient created by the magnetic **tweezers** that opposes the electrophoretic force. As the oligonucleotides are annealed to the growing strand, the neg. charged phosphate backbone adds charge to the **bead**-strand complex, which moves the **bead** from its equil. position. Optically detd. **bead** velocity and restoration force correspond to the no. of bases added; therefore, the length of the added strand can be ensured to be correct.

AN 142:257284 CA  
TI Method and device for biochemical detection and analysis of subcellular compartments from a **single cell**  
IN Chiu, Daniel T.; Sun, Bingyun; Shelby, James Patrick; Edgar, John Scott; Jeffries, Gavin; Lorenz, Robert M.; Kuo, Jason S.; He, Mingyan; Allen, Peter B.; Mutch, Sarah; Kuyper, Christopher L.; Fiorini, Gina S.; Lim, David S. W.  
PA USA  
SO U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 31 pp.  
PI US 2005048581 A1 20050303 US 2004-926656 20040825  
PRAI US 2003-497874P P 20030825  
AB A method and system for performing biochem. detection or anal. on micro- and nanoscale subcellular component within a single biol. cell is provided. An integrated platform device and method to perform the biochem. anal. is also provided.

L18 ANSWER 30 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 141:376461 CA  
TI **Optical tweezers** applied to a **microfluidic** system  
AU Enger, Jonas; Goksoer, Mattias; Ramser, Kerstin; Hagberg, Petter; Hanstorp, Dag  
CS Department of Physics, Chalmers University of Technology and Goeteborg University, Goeteborg, SE-412 96, Swed.  
SO Lab on a Chip (2004), 4(3), 196-200  
AB We will demonstrate how **optical tweezers** can be combined with a **microfluidic** system to create a versatile microlab. Cells are moved between reservoirs filled with different media by means of **optical tweezers**. We show that the cells, on a timescale of a few seconds, can be moved from one reservoir to another without the media being dragged along with them. The system is demonstrated with an expt. where we expose E. coli bacteria to different fluorescent markers. We will also discuss how the system can be used as an advanced cell sorter. It can favorably be used to sort out a small fraction of cells from a large population, in particular when advanced microscopic techniques are required to distinguish various cells. Patterns of channels and reservoirs were generated in a computer and transferred to a mask using either a sophisticated electron beam technique or a std. laser printer. Lithog. methods were applied to create microchannels in rubber silicon (PDMS). Media were transported in the channels using electroosmotic flow. The optical system consisted of a combined confocal and epi-fluorescence microscope, dual **optical tweezers** and a laser scalpel.

L18 ANSWER 55 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
Full Text  
AN 140:153912 CA  
TI Optical recovery of **particles** on a **chip** toward cell **sorting** and **bead**-bed detection  
AU Hirano, Ken; Baba, Yoshinobu  
CS Department of Medicinal Chemistry, CREST, JST, The University of Tokushima, Tokushima, 770-8505, Japan  
SO Micro Total Analysis Systems 2002, Proceedings of the µTAS 2002 Symposium, 6th, Nara, Japan, Nov. 3-7, 2002 (2002), Volume 1, 272-274. Editor(s): Baba, Yoshinobu; Shoji, Shuichi; Van den Berg, Albert.

AB Publisher: Kluwer Academic Publishers, Dordrecht, Neth.  
The authors have developed a method of **particle** recovery for  
**chip**-based cell **sorter**. Using optical **gradient force**, the  
technique can recovery **particles** at irradiating position of a laser by  
resisting hydrodynamic force. This paper presents the method and  
examples  
of **particle** recovery method using optical **gradient force** for cell  
**sorting** on a **chip**.

L18 ANSWER 58 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 140:119628 CA  
TI Laser **tweezers** and **Raman** spectroscopy systems and methods for the study  
of microscopic **particles**  
IN Li, Yong-qing; Dinno, Mumtaz A.  
PA East Carolina University, USA  
SO U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 28 pp.  
PI US 2004012778 A1 20040122 US 2002-196649 20020716  
PRAI US 2002-196649 A 20020716  
AB A method of studying a selected microscopic **particle** is described  
entailing forming an **optical trap** for a selected microscopic **particle**  
with a laser beam at a first power level, the laser beam having a  
variable power level assocd. therewith; increasing the variable power  
level assocd. with the laser beam to a second power level; producing  
**Raman** scattering signals with the laser beam at the second power level,  
wherein the second power level provides sufficient excitation energy to  
the selected microscopic **particle** to produce **Raman** scattering signals  
and wherein the second power level is greater than the first power  
level; and detecting a **Raman** spectrum from the **Raman** scattering signals  
produced by the laser beam at the second power level to thereby study  
the selected microscopic **particle**. A system for studying selected  
microscopic **particles** is also described comprising a diode laser for  
producing a laser beam having at least a first and second power level,  
wherein the laser beam at the first power level is sufficient for  
optically trapping a selected microscopic **particle** immersed in an aq.  
soln. medium, wherein the second power level provides sufficient  
excitation energy to the selected microscopic **particle** to produce **Raman**  
scattering signals for a **Raman** spectrum, and wherein the second power  
level is greater than the first power level; a beam splitter positioned  
to selectively direct the laser beam in a first direction and to  
selectively direct the **Raman** scattering signals radiating from the  
selected microscopic **particle** in a second direction; a container for  
contg. the selected microscopic **particle** immersed in the aq. soln.,  
wherein the container is positioned to receive the laser beam in the  
first direction; and a **Raman** spectrograph detector positioned to receive  
the **Raman** scattering signals in the second direction.

L18 ANSWER 60 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 140:73338 CA  
TI Compact microscope-based **optical tweezers** system for molecular  
**manipulation**  
AU Sischka, Andy; Eckel, Rainer; Toensing, Katja; Ros, Robert; Anselmetti,  
Dario

CS Faculty of Physics, Experimental Biophysics and Applied Nanosciences,  
Bielefeld University, Bielefeld, 33615, Germany  
SO Review of Scientific Instruments (2003), 74(11), 4827-4831  
AB A compact single beam **optical tweezers** system for force measurements and **manipulation** of individual double-stranded **DNA (DNA)** mols. was integrated into a com. inverted optical microscope. A maximal force of 150 pN combined with a force sensitivity of less than 0.5 pN allows measurements of elastic properties of **single mols.** which complements and overlaps the force regime accessible with at. force microscopy (AFM). The **manipulation** and measurement performance of this system was tested with individual  **$\lambda$ -DNA** mols. and renders new aspects of dynamic forces phenomena with higher precision in contrast to AFM studies. An integrated liq. handling system with a fluid cell allows investigation of the force response of individual **DNA** mols. in the presence of **DNA** binding agents. Comparison of YOYO-1-, ethidium bromide intercalated **DNA**, and distamycin-A complexed **DNA** revealed accurate and reproducible differences in the force response to an external load. This opens the possibility to use it as a **single mol.** biosensor to investigate **DNA** binding agents and even to identify mol. binding mechanisms.

L18 ANSWER 65 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 139:273205 CA  
TI Multichannel flow cell for interacting single optically trapped, **DNA** molecules with different chemical species  
IN Brewer, Laurence R.; Balhorn, Rodney L.  
PA The Regents of the University of California, USA  
SO U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 8 pp.  
PI US 2003186426 A1 20031002 US 2001-809944 20010314  
PRAI US 2000-189381P P 20000315  
AB A multichannel flow cell is used to laminarly flow different chem. solns., including one made up of small polystyrene **beads** attached to individual **DNA** mols., side by side with little mixing. An **optical trap** is used to pull single **DNA** mols. via their attached polystyrene **beads** into each of the different chem. solns. or species sequentially, and the resultant change in the structure of the **DNA** mol. can be obsd. using fluorescence microscopy. The technique can be used with mols. other than **DNA**. Examples of different chem. species include condensing agents such as protamine, enzymes, **polymerases**, and fluorescent probes and tags.

L18 ANSWER 69 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 139:166452 CA  
TI Laminar flow-based separations of colloidal and **cellular particles**  
IN Oakey, John; Marr, David W. M.  
PA Colorado School of Mines, USA  
SO PCT Int. Appl., 47 pp.  
PI WO 2003066191 A1 20030814 WO 2003-US3480 20030204  
US 2003159999 A1 20030828 US 2003-248653 20030204  
PRAI US 2002-354372P P 20020204  
US 2003-248653 A1 20030204  
AB A system, method and app. employing the laminar nature of fluid flows in **microfluidic** flow devices in sepg., **sorting** or filtering colloidal

and/or **cellular particles** from a suspension in a **microfluidic** flow device is disclosed. The **microfluidic** flow devices provide for sepg. a **particle** in a suspension flow in a **microfluidic** flow chamber. The chamber includes a **microfluidic** flow channel comprising at least one inlet port for receiving a suspension flow under laminar conditions, a first outlet port and a second outlet port. The chamber further includes an interface for translating a **particle** within the channel. The first outlet port receives a first portion of the suspension exiting the channel and the second outlet port receives the **particle** in a second portion of the suspension exiting the channel.

- L18 ANSWER 70 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 139:161622 CA  
TI Development of an **optical tweezer** combined with micromanipulation for **DNA** and protein nanobioscience  
AU Soni, G. V.; Hameed, Feroz Meeran; Roopa, T.; Shivashankar, G. V.  
CS National Centre for Biological Sciences, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, UAS-GVKV Campus, Bangalore, 560 065, India  
SO Current Science (2002), 83(12), 1464-1470  
AB The authors have constructed an **optical tweezer** using two lasers (830 nm and 1064 nm) combined with micropipette **manipulation** having sub-pN force sensitivity. Sample position is controlled within nanometer accuracy using XYZ piezo-elec. stage. The position of the **bead** in the trap is monitored using single **particle** laser backscattering technique. The instrument is **automated** to operate in const. force, const. velocity or const. position measurement. The authors present data on single **DNA** force-extension, dynamics of **DNA** integration on membranes and optically trapped **bead-cell** interactions. A quant. anal. of single **DNA** and protein mechanics, assembly and dynamics opens up new possibilities in nano-bioscience.
- L18 ANSWER 86 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 137:239404 CA  
TI **Confocal Raman** Microscopy for Monitoring Chemical Reactions on Single Optically Trapped, Solid-Phase Support **Particles**  
AU Houlne, Michael P.; Sjostrom, Christopher M.; Uibel, Rory H.; Kleimeyer, James A.; Harris, Joel M.  
CS Department of Chemistry, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 84112-0850, USA  
SO Analytical Chemistry (2002), 74(17), 4311-4319  
AB **Optical trapping** of small structures is a powerful tool for the **manipulation** and study of colloidal and **particulate** materials. The tight focus excitation requirements of **optical trapping** are well suited to confocal **Raman** microscopy. An inverted confocal **Raman** microscope is developed for studies of chem. reactions on single, optically trapped **particles** and applied to reactions used in solid-phase peptide synthesis. **Optical trapping** and levitation allow a **particle** to be moved away from the coverslip and into soln., avoiding fluorescence interference from the coverslip. More importantly, diffusion of reagents into the **particle** is not inhibited by a surface, so that reaction conditions mimic those of **particles** dispersed in soln. **Optical trapping** and levitation also maintain optical alignment, since the

**particle** is centered laterally along the optical axis and within the focal plane of the objective, where both optical forces and light collection are maximized. Hour-long observations of chem. reactions on individual, trapped SiO<sub>2</sub> **particles** are reported. Using two-dimensional least-squares anal. methods, the Raman spectra collected during a reaction can be resolved into component contributions. The resolved spectra of the time-varying species can be obsd., as they bind to or cleave from the **particle** surface.

L18 ANSWER 90 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 137:2709 CA  
TI Optical switching and **sorting** of biological samples and **microparticles** transported in a **micro-fluidic** device, including integrated bio-**chip** devices  
IN Wang, Mark; Ata, Erhan; Esener, Sadik  
PA The Regents of the University of California, USA  
SO PCT Int. Appl., 52 pp.  
PI WO 2002044689 A2 20020606 WO 2001-US45058 20011128  
US 2002181837 A1 20021205 US 2001-998012 20011128  
PRAI US 2000-253644P P 20001128  
US 2001-998012 A 20011128  
AB Small **particles**, for example 5 μm diam. **microspheres** or cells, within, and moving with, a fluid, normally water, that is flowing within **microfluidic** channels within a radiation-transparent substrate, typically molded PDMS clear plastic, are selectively **manipulated**, normally by being pushed with optical pressures forces, with a laser light switching beam, preferably as arises from vertical cavity surface emitting lasers (VCSELs) operating in Laguerre-Gaussian mode, at branching junctions, such as an "X", in the **microfluidic** channels so as to enter into selected downstream branches OUTPUT 1, OUPUT 2, thereby realizing switching and **sorting** of **particles**, including in parallel. Transport of the small **particles** thus transpires by **microfluidics** while **manipulation** in the manner of **optical tweezers** arises either from pushing due to optical scattering force, or from pulling due to an attractive optical **gradient force**. Whether pushed or pulled, the **particles** within the flowing fluid may be optically sensed, and highly-parallel. Low-cost, cell- and **particle**-anal. devices efficiently realized, including as integrated on bio-**chips**.

L18 ANSWER 108 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 134:144014 CA  
TI **Automation of optical tweezers**  
AU Hsieh, Tseng-Ming; Chang, Bo-Jui; Hsu, Long  
CS Inst. Electro-Optics, National Chiao-Tung Univ., Taiwan  
SO Proceedings of SPIE-The International Society for Optical Engineering (2000), 4082(Optical Sensing, Imaging, and Manipulation for Biological and Biomedical Applications), 232-240  
AB **Optical tweezers** is a newly developed instrument, which makes possible the **manipulation** of micro-optical **particles** under a microscope. In this paper, we present the **automation** of an **optical tweezers** which consists of a modified **optical tweezers**, equipped with two motorized actuators to deflect a 1 W argon laser beam, and a computer control system including

a joystick. The trapping of a single **bead** and a group of lactoacidofilus was shown, sep. With the aid of the joystick and two auxiliary cursors superimposed on the real-time image of a trapped **bead**, we demonstrated the simple and convenient operation of the **automated optical tweezers**. By steering the joystick and then pressing a button on it, we assign a new location for the trapped **bead** to move to. The increment of the motion 0.04  $\mu$  m for a 20X objective, is negligible. With a fast computer for image processing, the **manipulation** of the trapped **bead** is smooth and accurate. The **automation** of the **optical tweezers** is also programmable. This technique may be applied to accelerate the **DNA hybridization** in a gene **chip**. The combination of the modified **optical tweezers** with the computer control system provides a tool for precise **manipulation** of micro **particles** in many scientific fields.

L18 ANSWER 111 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 134:27248 CA  
TI Highly sensitive **bead**-based multi-analyte assay system using **optical tweezers**  
IN Liu, Yagang  
PA Beckman Coulter, Inc., USA  
SO U.S., 12 pp.  
PI US 6159749 A 20001212 US 1998-119837 19980721  
PRAI US 1998-119837 19980721  
AB An app. and method for chem. and biol. anal. are disclosed, the app. having an **optical trapping** means to **manipulate** the reaction substrate, and a measurement means. The **optical trapping** means is essentially a laser source capable of emitting a beam of suitable wavelength (e.g., Nd:YAG laser). The beam impinges upon a dielec. **microparticle** (e.g., a 5  $\mu$  polystyrene **bead** which serves as a reaction substrate), and the **bead** is thus confined at the focus of the laser beam by a radial component of the **gradient force**. Once "trapped," the **bead** can be moved, either by moving the beam focus, or by moving the reaction chamber. In this manner, the **bead** can be transferred among sep. reaction wells connected by microchannels to permit reactions with the reagent affixed to the **bead**, and the reagents contained in the individual wells.

L18 ANSWER 113 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 133:263336 CA  
TI An integrated laser trap/flow control **video** microscope for the study of single biomolecules  
AU Wuite, Gijs J. L.; Davenport, R. John; Rappaport, Aaron; Bustamante, Carlos  
CS Department of Physics, University of California, Berkeley, CA, 94720, USA  
SO Biophysical Journal (2000), 79(2), 1155-1167  
AB We have developed an integrated laser trap/flow control **video** microscope for mech. **manipulation** of single biopolymers. The instrument is automated to maximize exptl. throughput. A single-beam **optical trap** capable of trapping micron-scale polystyrene **beads** in the middle of a

200- $\mu\text{m}$ -deep microchamber is used, making it possible to insert a micropipette inside this chamber to hold a second **bead** by suction. Together, these **beads** function as easily exchangeable surfaces between which macromols. of interest can be attached. A computer-controlled flow system is used to exchange the liq. in the chamber and to establish a flow rate with high precision. The flow and the **optical trap** can be used to exert forces on the **beads**, the displacements of which can be measured either by **video** microscopy or by laser deflection. To test the performance of this instrument, individual biotinylated **DNA** mols. were assembled between two streptavidin **beads**, and the **DNA** elasticity was characterized using both laser trap and flow forces. **DNA** extension under varying forces was measured by **video** microscopy. The combination of the flow system and **video** microscopy is a versatile design that is particularly useful for the study of systems susceptible to laser-induced damage. This capability was demonstrated by following the translocation of transcribing RNA **polymerase** up to 650 s.

L18 ANSWER 129 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 126:115424 CA  
TI **Optical trap** for detection and quantitations of **subzeptomolar** quantities of analytes  
IN Weetall, Howard Hayyam; Helmerson, Kristian Peter; Kishore, Roni Bakhru  
PA National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA; Weetall, Howard Hayyam; Helmerson, Kristian Peter; Kishore, Roni, Bakhru  
SO PCT Int. Appl., 23 pp.  
PI WO 9641154 A1 19961219 WO 1996-US10007 19960607  
US 5620857 A 19970415 US 1995-473979 19950607  
PRAI US 1995-473979 A 19950607  
AB Tightly focused beams of laser light are used as "**optical tweezers**" to trap and **manipulate polarizable** objects such as **microspheres** of glass or latex with diams. on the order of 4.5  $\mu\text{m}$ . When analytes are allowed to adhere to the **microspheres**, small quantities of these analytes can be **manipulated**, thus allowing their detection and quantitations of the analytes are extremely small. Illustrative examples include measuring the strength needed to break antibody-antigen bonds and the detection of **DNA sequences**.  
  
L18 ANSWER 130 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 126:86779 CA  
TI Chemical, biochemical and biological reactions, sequence analysis, and processing in thin film regions using **particles** and **optical traps**  
IN Ulmer, Kevin M.  
PA Seq, Ltd., USA; Ulmer, Kevin M.  
SO PCT Int. Appl., 43 pp.  
PI WO 9639417 A1 19961212 WO 1996-US8633 19960604  
US 5776674 A 19980707 US 1995-462485 19950605  
PRAI US 1995-462485 A1 19950605  
WO 1996-US8633 W 19960604  
AB An **optical trap** is used to translate a **particle** through a thin film coating on an optically-flat surface. Preferably, the thin film coating is heterogeneous and the **optical trap** is used to move the **particle**

through a succession of different regions of the thin film coating where different chem., biochem. and/or biol. processes take place. Examples of chem., biochem. and/or biol. processes that might be implemented in accordance with the invention include the following: oligonucleotide synthesis and sequencing, peptide synthesis and sequencing, carbohydrate synthesis and sequencing, combinatorial library synthesis and **screening**, and conventional (i.e., Sanger or Maxam-Gilbert) **DNA** sequencing. In one embodiment of the invention, reaction products are left behind as the **particle** is moved through the thin film coating. Advantageously, these products can be identified by suitable means.

L18 ANSWER 131 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 126:85218 CA  
TI The combined optical, electrostatic and **enzymic** handling of single **DNA** molecules  
AU Hoyer, Carsten; Monajembashi, Shamci; Greulich, Karl Otto  
CS Dep. Single Cell Single Molecules Techniques, Inst. Molecular Biotechnology, Jena, 07745, Germany  
SO Proceedings of SPIE-The International Society for Optical Engineering (**1996**), 2928(Biomedical Systems and Technologies), 188-199  
AB Complete handling of single **DNA** mols. and their **enzymic** restriction are described. For that purpose a **microsphere** was bound to a **DNA** mol. and **trapped** by **optical tweezers**. It could be moved in any direction. For stretching or rotating the mol. an elec. field was applied while the **bead** was fixed by the **optical tweezers**. In a near-equil. state of the resulting forces, the **DNA** remained stretched. Subsequently, a restriction endonuclease was activated by liberating Mg<sup>2+</sup> from a caged compd. The **enzymic** reaction could be directly obsd. in the light microscope. While the **bead** remained in the focus of the laser trap the other restricted part of the **DNA** mol. is pulled away in the elec. field. The reaction was directly monitored and recorded on videotape.

L18 ANSWER 133 OF 138 CA COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
AN 124:337102 CA  
TI Study of **optical trapping** and fluorescence detection in flow streams with applications to **DNA sequencing**  
AU Wang, W.; Liu, Y.; Sonek, G.J.; Berns, M.W.; Keller, R.A.  
CS Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of California, Irvine, CA, 92717, USA  
SO Proceedings of SPIE-The International Society for Optical Engineering (**1996**), 2629(Biomedical Optoelectronics in Clinical Chemistry and Biotechnology), 70-7  
AB We report on the development of a flow system integrated with a microscope that facilitates the simultaneous **optical trapping** and fluorescence excitation/detection of micron-sized samples that have been tagged with fluorescent probes. This system, when used in conjunction with nucleotide fluorescence labeling and **DNA** fragment cleavage procedures, offers the potential for the rapid **sequencing** of **DNA** fragments attached to **microsphere** "handles". Using a Nd:YAG laser (1064 nm) as the trapping beam, latex **microspheres** were stably trapped in a flow stream, where flow velocities in the range of 1-10mm/s were achieved. Such flow velocities are commensurate with those required to

stretch, and measure fluorescence from, **DNA** strands in high speed **sequencing** applications. High spatial resoln. ( $\sim 1\mu\text{m}$ ) and high signal-to-noise ratios ( $>10^3$ ) were achieved using a high N.A. objective lens for trapping and fluorescence detection within a confocal microscope geometry. In this system, samples could be displaced with the scanning laser trap by up to  $\pm 25\mu\text{m}$  off the trapping beam axis in the sample plane while maintaining, at the same time, a large fluorescence detection efficiency. At a trapping depth of  $20\mu\text{m}$  below the chamber surface, a laser power of 100mW was sufficient to hold a  $2\mu\text{m}$  diam. **microsphere** in a flow stream having a velocity of 1mm/s while its fluorescence was measured. The results of a systematic study which investigates the effects of trapping efficiency, trapping depth, flow velocity, and **tweezers** holding time in a  $500\mu\text{m} \times 500\mu\text{m}$  flow microchamber system are reported. The application of this technique to the confinement and detection of fluorescence-labeled **DNA** nucleotides is also described.

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TI Direct measurement of **DNA** molecular length in solution using **optical tweezers**: Detection of looping due to binding protein interactions.

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AB **DNA** looping is caused by the interaction between **DNA** binding proteins located at separate positions on a **DNA** molecule and may play an important role in transcription regulation. We have developed a system to stretch single **DNA** molecules and to measure changes in molecular length. **DNA** molecules were prepared and 5' end-labeled by PCR amplification. Two **beads** and the intervening **DNA** molecule were trapped and **manipulated** independently with dual **trap optical tweezers**. The trapped **DNA** molecule was then stretched and the extension (the distance between the two **beads**) was measured. The extension at the specific tension force of 30 pN was calculated and used as a molecular length. The molecular length was found to be proportional to the base pair number. The rise per residue was calculated to be  $3.31 \pm 0.05$  ANG. The length measurement was applied to **DNA** fragments containing GC box **sequences** at two different locations separated by a distance of 2.428 kbp. The addition of GC box binding transcription factor Spl shortened the molecular length, suggesting **DNA** looping forms as a result of interaction between transcription factors.

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